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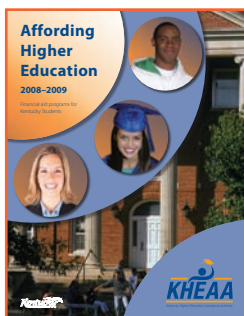
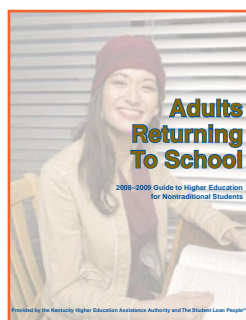
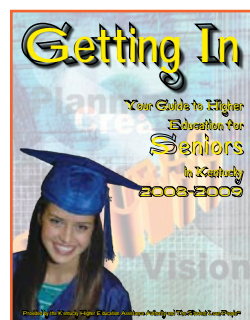
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2008–2009 publications to be distributed in September

Schools should receive copies of *Getting In*, the college-planning guide for high school seniors, sometime in September. The books have been delayed due to funding issues.

Schools and libraries will also receive copies of *Affording Higher Education*, which lists some 4,300 college financial aid programs available to Kentucky students. Adult education providers can request copies of *Adults Returning to School*, which is geared toward older students entering college for the first time or resuming studies after a break.

KHEAA will not print its books for freshmen (*Getting Started*), sophomores (*Getting Set*) and juniors (*Getting Ready*) this year, but online versions of all three books will be available at www.kheaa.com. *Getting In*, *Affording Higher Education* and *Adults Returning to School* will also be available online.



Students encouraged to enter scholarship, photo contest

Students from your school have a chance to be featured on next year's covers and inside the books of *Getting In*, *Getting Ready*, *Getting Set*, and *Getting Started* — and one of your juniors may win a \$500 college scholarship.



Laura Burns
2007 essay winner

Last fall, Laura Burns from Boyle County High School submitted the winning essay in the KHEAA scholarship contest. Burns and other Boyle County students are featured in this year's publications.

KHEAA will award a \$500 scholarship, usable at a Kentucky college, to the junior who does the best job of telling us why his or her high school is the best in the state. **Essays must not mention the name of the school or the school's mascot.** In addition, our staff will visit the school to take pictures for use in KHEAA publications.

Students from schools featured in the past five years aren't eligible. Those schools are Boyle County, Trimble County, Murray, George Rogers Clark and duPont Manual.

Entries must be 200 words or less. They can be e-mailed to publications@kheaa.com, mailed to Publications, KHEAA, P.O. Box 798, Frankfort, KY 40602-0798, or faxed to 502.696.7574. The deadline for receiving entries is November 1.



On the Road with Outreach Services

KHEAA's new mobile outreach center has arrived! Purchase of the new vehicle was made possible by the federal GEAR UP grant partnership between KHEAA and the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE) and matching funds that were previously committed as part of the grant. As part of our partnership with CPE, the new vehicle will participate in GEAR UP events throughout the state and will prominently promote the GEAR UP program.

The new vehicle is a diesel-fueled 39.5-foot Freightliner truck built by Farber Specialty Vehicles of Columbus, Ohio. It is equipped with 12 workstations that students can use to access sites like kheaa.com, GoHigherKY.org, KnowHow2GOKy.org and FAFSA on the Web. It also has three LCD monitors, one of which is on the outside of the vehicle for viewing at outdoor and other exhibit venues. Automatic satellite Internet, wireless/digital sound and a DVD player provide opportunities for staff to further engage onboard visitors.

"When the mobile center was designed, our goal was to put together a commercial grade vehicle that would last 20 years. We needed it built to run effectively in the sometimes challenging terrain of the state and wanted to install today's most advanced technology. I am confident that our research and planning will result in a reliable and effective mobile experience for Kentucky students," College Info Road Show Counselor Mark Hoover said.

Onboard sessions for students are designed to provide a brief overview of student financial aid programs and services. Visitors can create an account on GoHigherKY.org and can access helpful online resources for career assessments, scholarship searches, KHEAA account information and more.

To schedule the College Info Road Show for an event at your school or in your community, contact Benita Young by e-mail at byoung@kheaa.com or by phone at 502.696.7283.



KHEAA Outreach Counselors

KHEAA covers Kentucky's 120 counties with nine regional outreach counselors. Susan Hopkins, 502.696.7379, serves as Outreach Services Manager with administrative support from Benita Young, 502.696.7283, in our Frankfort office. Tim Ring, 859.630.0710, serves as Outreach Services Assistant Manager. Mark Hoover, 502.472.9167 and Gene Weis, 502.608.7717, are counselors on board the College Road Show.

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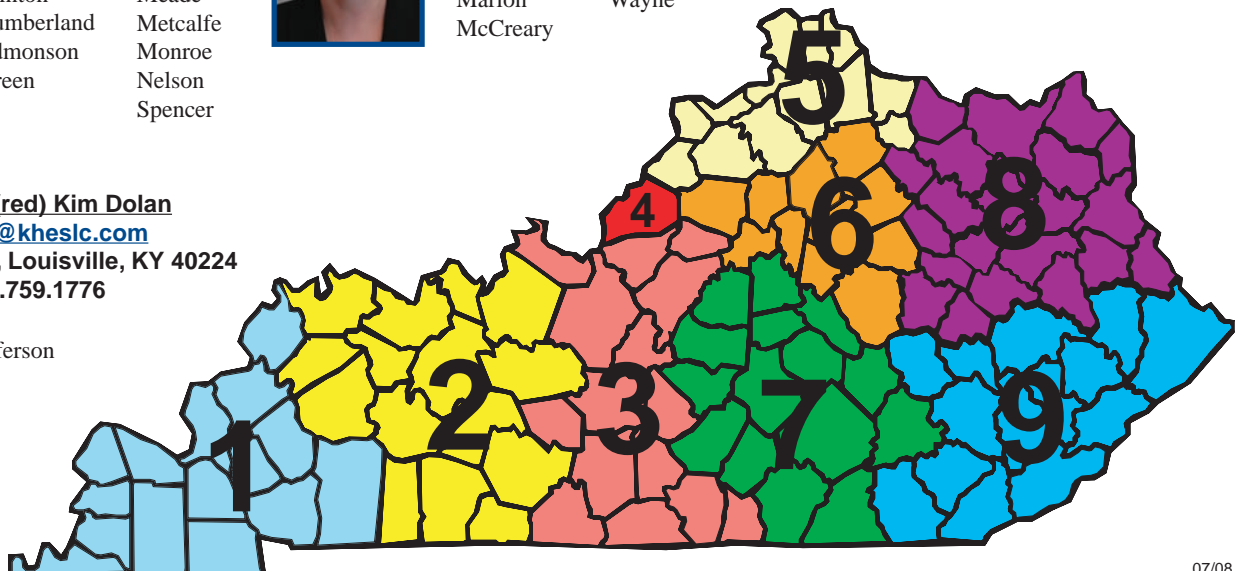
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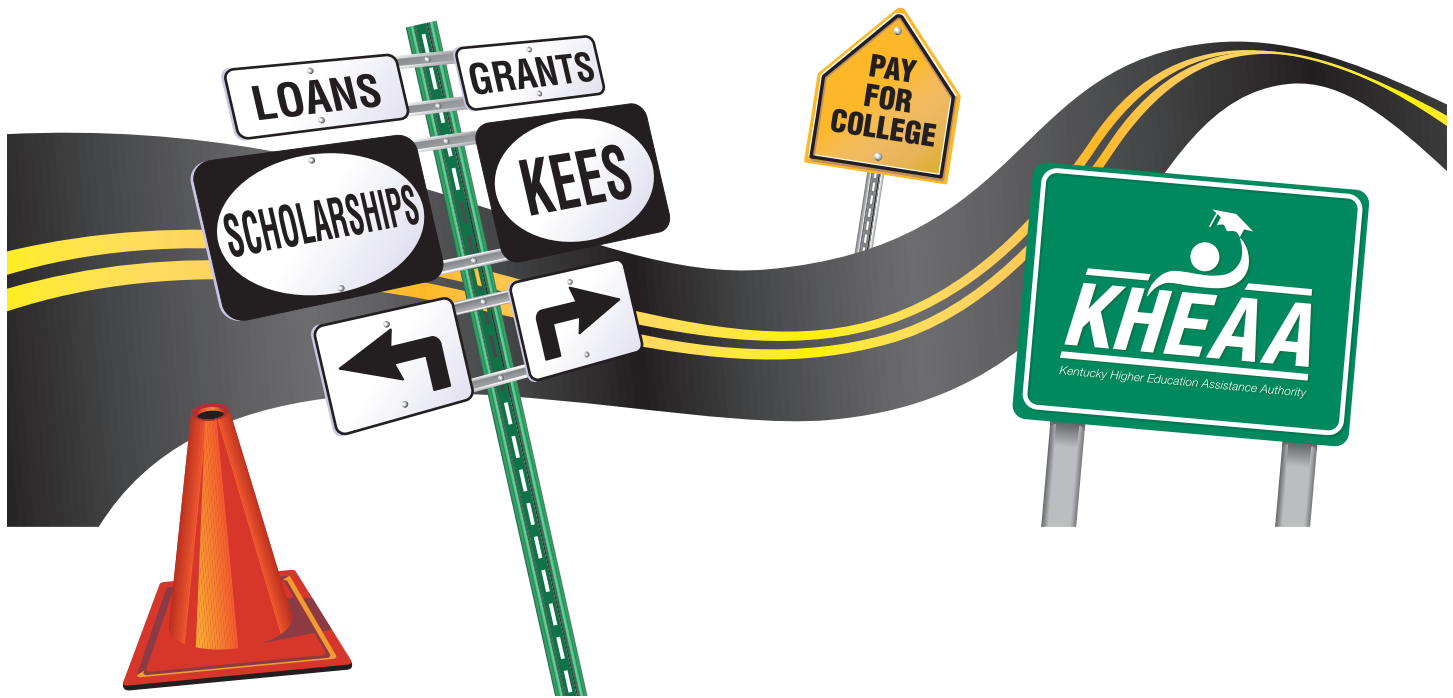
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Attention, Counselors!

It's that time of year again!

KHEAA would like to remind you of the free services we provide to schools, community organizations, adult education centers and other groups.

Presentations and seminars:

Financial aid from A to Z

Students will learn about their online KEES accounts, as well as grants, scholarships, work-study, savings and Federal Family Education Loans.

Plan~Choose~Apply

Students will create their own personalized accounts, learning to navigate through the many features of the GoHigherKY.org website.

We offer our services for:

- Reality stores
- Financial aid nights
- Career fairs
- Financial literacy workshops
- PTA meetings
- Adult education programs
- College nights
- KEES workshops
- FAFSA workshops



Contact your regional outreach counselor to schedule the College Info Road Show for a visit to your school.



Contact your regional outreach counselor today to schedule your event!

KASFAA workshops scheduled

The Kentucky Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (KASFAA) invites you to participate in the **2008 Effective Instructional Leadership Training Program** entitled “Avenues to Achievement.” This free one-day workshop will enhance your knowledge of college financial aid programs, provide updates from ACT, and inform you of other important services for your students.

Ten sessions will be conducted throughout the state from **November 5 – 18**. Participants receive a certificate of attendance for six credit hours applicable toward Instructional Leadership Training requirements. Participants must be present for the entire program in order to receive their certificate; no partial credit is given.

Please check out the workshop locations, dates, agenda and **register on-line** at <http://www.kasfaa.com>—select the link “KY High School Counselor Workshop” on the left of the page. Registration is required for attendance; the registration deadline is October 31, 2008.

We look forward to seeing you in November!

Workshop Dates & Locations:

November 5..... Morehead
November 6..... Prestonsburg
November 7..... Barbourville
November 10..... Murray
November 11..... Madisonville
November 12..... Bowling Green
November 13..... Columbia
November 14..... Louisville
November 17..... Georgetown
November 18..... Crestview Hills

New KEES supplemental awards available to some AP, IB students

Senate Bill 2, enacted by the 2008 Kentucky General Assembly, provides a new KEES bonus award for students eligible for free or reduced-price lunches during any year of high school and who make qualifying scores on Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams. Eligible students will begin earning these awards for exams taken during the 2008-2009 academic year. The chart below shows the amounts that will be awarded for each score. There is no limit to the number of bonus awards a student can receive.

Advanced Placement		International Baccalaureate	
Exam Score	Bonus Amount	Exam Score	Bonus Amount
3	\$200	5	\$200
4	\$250	6	\$250
5	\$300	7	\$300

Additional information about reporting data for this new bonus award will be made available as the year progresses. If you have questions or concerns, contact Becky Gilpatrick, Student Aid Branch Manager, at rgilpatrick@kheaa.com or at 800.928.8926, ext. 67394.